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WORLD ADMINISTRATIVE RADIO CONFERENCE FOR MARITIME TELE-
COMMUNICATIONS.

REF: MOSCOW 9877, AUGUST 20, 1973

1. WE ARE PLEASED THAT SOVIETS ARE INTERESTED IN MEETING
WITH U.S. REPRESENTATIVES (DURING TIME OF CCIR MEETINGS IN
GENEVA) FOR DISCUSSIONS AND COORDINATION IN REGARD TO
POSITIONS AT 1974 WARC-MARITIME TELECOMMUNICATIONS.

2. CCIR STUDY GROUP 8 DEALS WITH MATTERS OF MOBILE COMMUNI-
CATIONS, INCLUDING MARITIME, AND U.S. DELEGATION WILL
INCLUDE SEVERAL PERSONS WHO HAVE KEY ROLES IN U.S. PRE-
PARATIONS FOR THE 1974 CONFERENCE. U.S. SPOKESMAN IN
STUDY GROUP 8 AND FOR DISCUSSIONS WITH SOVIETS WILL BE
MR. RAYMOND SIMONDS; HE WILL ARRIVE GENEVA ON JANUARY 31
AND WILL STAY AT HOTEL CALIFORNIA. SIMONDS WILL CONTACT
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HEAD OF SOVIET DELEGATION AT FIRST OPPORTUNITY AND

ARRANGEMENT FOR DISCUSSIONS CAN THEN BE WORKED OUT BETWEEN THEM. U.S. REPRESENTATIVES WILL BE PREPARED MEET WITH SOVIETS FEBRUARY 1-4 IN ADVANCE OF STUDY GROUP 8'S MEETING OR IN OFF HOURS DURING COURSE OF MEETING FEBRUARY 5-26 (DURING DECEMBER 1973 MEETING IN LONDON OF IMCO SUB-COMMITTEE ON RADIOCOMMUNICATIONS, SOVIET SPOKESMAN (Y. S. COMMITTEE ON RADIOCOMMUNICATIONS, SOVIET SPOKESMAN (Y. S. ATSEROV, MINISTRY OF MERCHANT MARINE) INDICATED INTEREST IN

U.S.-SOVIET DISCUSSIONS A DAY OR TWO IN ADVANCE OF STUDY GROUP 8 MEETING).

3. EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO INFORM SOVIETS AND DETERMINE NAME OF PERSON (AND HOTEL) FOR SIMONDS TO CONTACT AND THEIR REACTION TO MEETING DAY OR TWO IN ADVANCE OF STUDY GROUP 8 MEETING. RUSH

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